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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 54/12 of 27 October 1999, in which it expressed the wish that the cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union be further strengthened,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,[1] which takes stock of such cooperation over the last twelve months,

Noting with appreciation the resolutions adopted and the activities carried out by the Inter-Parliamentary Union during the past year in support of the United Nations as well as the recommendation contained in the aforementioned report that the increasingly close and productive relationship between the two organizations be recognized through a new and formalized relationship between the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the General Assembly,

Welcoming the Conference of Presiding Officers of National Parliaments which was held in the United Nations from 30 August to 1 September 2000 and which concluded with the unanimous adoption of a Declaration entitled "The Parliamentary vision of international cooperation on the eve of the third millennium",

[1] A/55/409.

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Recalling with satisfaction the United Nations Millennium Declaration[2] in which Member States resolved to further strengthen cooperation between the United Nations and national parliaments through their world organization, the Inter-Parliamentary Union, in various fields, including peace and security, economic and social development, international law and human rights, democracy and gender issues,

Recalling the unique inter-State character of the Inter-Parliamentary Union,

1. *Welcomes* the efforts made by the Inter-Parliamentary Union to provide for a greater parliamentary contribution and enhanced support to the United Nations and calls for the cooperation between the two organizations to be further consolidated;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with member States and with the Inter-Parliamentary Union, to explore ways in which a new and formalized relationship may be established between the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the General Assembly and its subsidiary organs, and to report thereon to the Assembly by May 2001;

3 *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session on the various aspects of cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union".

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[2] General Assembly resolution 55/2.